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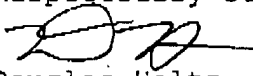
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Responsive to a telephone conference with the Examiner on
October 25, 2004, submitted herewith is an accurate English
translation of JP 281466/1998, filed October 2, 1998, whose
priority is claimed by the present application.

Respectfully submitted,


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